BONA MORS:

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Dying Happily

In the Congregation of

JESUS CHRIST Crucify'd,

ANDOF

His Condoling MOTHER.

To which is annex'd

The ROSARY

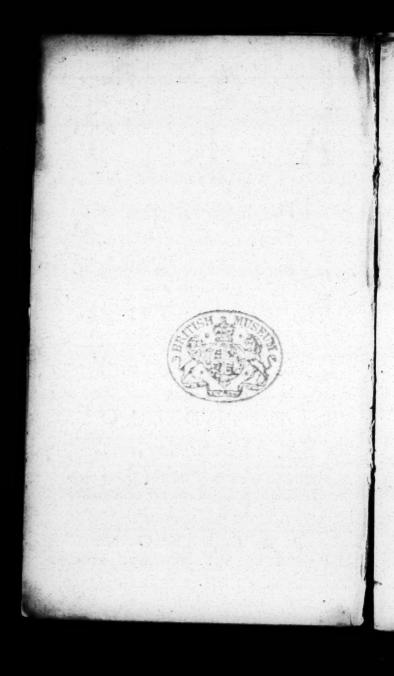
OF OUR

BLESSED LADY.

The TENTH EDITION.

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I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me; Write, blessed are the dead which die in the Lord.





A Short ACCOUNT

OF THIS

ABSTRACT.

of divers Persons, in distant Parts of the Kingdom, who earnestly desired an Abridgement of the Book entitled Bona Mors, here is offer'd, what's only required to become a Member of the Congregation, and to Partake in Prayers with Multitudes of pious associates.

The Candidates are to give in their Names to the F. of the Society of Jesus, who keeps the A 2 Book

Book of the Confraternity: This done, they shall offer to Christ our Lord kneeling before a Crucifix, the best Affections and Refolutions their Understandings and Hearts can fuggest. Such as can read may recite the Admission Prayer to our omnipotent Redeemer, as set down in the End of this Epitome. On the Day of Admission, being truly penitent, confessing and communicating, they obtain a plenary Indulgence of all their Sins; the same Favour is granted to them at the Hour of Death, by calling devoutly on the Name of Jesus, or repeating it in their Hearts, altho' they can't receive the B. Sacrament.

The Rules; which all are to observe, are as follows, 1. Every

one is to fay daily, three Our Fathers and three Hail Maries, in Memory of the three Hours our Bleffed Redeemer hung upon the Cross, to the Intention of obtaining for themselves, and others of the Congregation, a happy Death. Likewise they shall fay, every Day, not only for themselves, but also for those at that Time in their Agonies, or who shall be next under that dreadful Trial: Lord! into thy Hands I recommend my Spirit, and recommend all agonizing Souls. Mary! Mother of Grace, Mother of Mercy, defend us from the Enemy, and receive us at the Hour of Death. Amen.

2. The Associates (if they can without great Inconvenience) are to frequent the H. Sacra-

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ment once every Month: That they are enrich'd with a Plenary Indulgence, which may be apply'd to the fuffering Souls in Purgatory, by way of Suffrage. In these Communions they are to petition for themselves and others of the Confraternity, a happy Death; and before they leave the Chapel, they are to recite five Our Fathers, and as many Hail Maries, in Honour of the five most Sacred Wounds of our Redeemer, for those of the Congregation, who are in Tribulation, Sick, Dying or Departed.

Let all endeavour to be prefent at the Monthly Assembly De Bona Morte. Those who are lawfully hindred from attending the solemn Devotion of that

Day,

Day, are to recite at home, the Prayers appointed for publick Meetings. Such as cannot read may fay their Beads, begging that they may not be absent from the Rest in eternal Glory. If it happens, that two, or three are in the fame Family; at fome convenient Time, one of them may recite the abovefaid Prayers with an audible Voice, the others answering in respective Places. Many, by an Act of Supererogation, upon all Fridays offer to Jesus Christ crucified, and his dolorous Mother, the Stations of his bitter Passion, and the Addresses to his five Sacred Wounds; but this is left to every one's Devotion and Circumftances.

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This is what's most material in the Rules, which do not oblige under Venial Sin; but if they are wilfully transgressed, the Person so offending is no Partaker in Prayers and good Works, which are perform'd by the Devoted to our B. Saviour's Passion, for satisfying for past Sins, and obtaining a happy Death; and he continues under this Privation fo long as the prescrib'd Devotion is intermitted: Yet, returning to the Observance of the Rules, he shares proportionably, from the Time he begins again with Fervour. Sick Persons are excepted, who in Health did their Duty, and refolve to do the fame, when restor'd to their former State.

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Not only the instructing Preface, but also eight whole Chapters of the other Book de Bona Morte are left out of this, to the end it might be purchas'd by those in the narrowest Circumstances. In that Treatife you'll learn how the Devotion is eftablish'd by Apostolical Authority, and the granted Favours of Indulgencies, extended even to private Chapels of all English Missionaries of the Society of Jesus. There are moving Discourses, concerning the unavoidable Certainty and terrifying Uncertainty of Death; of the eminent Danger in deferring Repentance, and the deplorable Confequences of fuch a Resolution; with many important Instructions, how to prepare against gainst that fatal Moment, when we shall lie agonizing betwixt the End of short Time, and Entrance of Eternity. There is one Chapter how the Passion of Christ is be honour'd, another of the intense Grief of the B. Virgin under the Cross, and of her Power with Almighty God in obtaining Favours, for her fuppliant Clients. In Chap. V. folid Reasons are offer'd, for the undertaking a short spiritual Retreat, and the Advantages of a general Confession, when in Health, which will carry incredible Confolation and Security to the Death-bed. The other Chapters discuss such Subjects as conduce directly to a happy Departure. I have added to this Abstract, out of Chap. IX, the Acts

Acts and Protestations of a devout Soul, as it were actually Agonizing, to the end the Associates may make them familiar to themselves against that dreadful Minute, which even at a Distance appears very formidable to the most fervorous Servant of God.

Prayers at publick Meetings, and also for private Devotions.

IN the Name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Resp. Amen.

OPEN, O Lord, our Mouths to bless your holy Name, cleanse our Hearts from all vain and and distracting Thoughts, enlighten our Understandings, in-slame our Will, that we may worthily perform this holy Exercise with Attention and Devotion, and may deserve to be heard in the Presence of your Divine Majesty, who with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, one God, World without End. Resp. Amen.

Lord, have Mercy on us. Christ, have Mercy on us.

Lord, have Mercy on us.

Holy Mary, pray for us.

All ye holy Angels and Archangels, pray ye for us.

St. Abel, pray for us.

All ye Choirs of just Souls, pray ye for us.

St. Abraham, pray for us.

St. John Baptist, pray for us.

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All ye holy Patriarchs and I	Pro-
phets, pray ye for us.	
St. Peter, pray for us.	
St. Paul,	pray
St. Andrew,	pray
St. John,	pray
All ye holy Apostles and E	van-
gelists, pray ye for us.	
All ye holy Disciples of	our
Lord, pray ye for us.	
All ye holy Innocents, pra	y ye
for us.	
C. C	pray
St. Lawrence,	pray
All ye holy Martyrs, pra	y ye
for us.	
St. Silvester,	pray
St. Gregory,	pray
St. Austin,	pray
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	Con-
fessors, pray ye for us.	
St. Benedict,	pray
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All ye holy Monks and Her-

mits, pray ye for us. St. Mary Magdalen, pray

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St. Francis.

St. Lucy,

All ye holy Virgins and Widows, pray ye for us. All ye Saints of God, make Intercession for us. Be merciful unto us Spare us, O Lord. Be merciful unto us, Hear us, O Lord. Be merciful unto us, O Lord, deliver us. From your Anger, O Lord, deliver us. From the Danger of Death, O Lord deliver us. From an unfortunate Death, O Lord deliver us. From the Pains of Hell, O Lord, deliver us. From From all Evil, O Lord deliver us. From the Power of the Devil, O Lord deliver us.

By your Nativity, O Lord. By your Cross and Passion, O Lord deliver us.

By your Death and Burial, O Lord deliver us.

By your glorious Resurrection, O Lord deliver us.

By your admirable Ascension, O Lord deliver us.

By the Grace of the Holy Ghost the Comforter, O Lord.

In the Day of Judgment, O Lord. We Sinners, We beseech thee to hear us.

That thou wilt spare us, We beseech thee to bear us.

Lord, have Mercy on us.

Christ, have Mercy on us.

Lord, have Mercy on us.

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Let us pray:

MAY your Clemency vouch-fafe, O God, so to confirm, your Servants in your holy Grace, that at the Hour of their Death, the Enemy may not prevail against them, but that with your Angels they may deserve to pass into Life everlasting, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Resp. Amen.

Mnipotent and most merciful Creator, who, to refresh your thirsty People in the Defart, commanded Streams of Water from the hardest Rocks, draw, we befeech you from our dry Eyes, and stony Hearts, defir'd Tears of perfect Compunction, that we may utterly detest all Sin, and only thirst after the happy and glorious Vision of of You our God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Amen.

An Att of Contrition.

Y dear Lord Jesus Christ, Redeemer of the World! Behold prostrate at your Feet the most unhappy, and most ungrateful Creature on the Face of the Earth. My God! I have offended you most grievously, in Thoughts, Words and Deeds. My heinous Crimes fix'd you to the bloody Cross. To rescue me from eternal Damnation, you agoniz'd three Hours on Mount Calvary. But Oh! How much am I displeased with my felf! How I grieve for having offended you, a God of infinite Goodness, of infinite Charity! I stand astonish'd and confound-

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ed, at your incomprehensible Patience, in supporting the most provoking Wretch that breathes. From the very Bottom of my Heart, I detest all my Sins; and because I love you, and will love you above all things created, I stedfastly purpose, by your holy Grace, never to offend you more, to die a Thousand Deaths, rather than commit one mortal Sin. Amen.

The Stations of the Sacred Passion.

Most sweet Jesus! praying to the Father in the Garden, forrowful even unto Death, and sweating in the Agony of Grief, have mercy on us.

Resp. Have mercy on us, O

Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus! Deliver'd by the Traytor's Kiss into the Hands Hands of your Enemies, seiz'd and bound like a Thief and a-bandon'd by your Disciples, have mercy on us.

Resp. Have mercy on us, O

Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus! By the unjust Verdict of the Jews, found guilty of Death, brought like a Malesactor before the Tribunal of Pilate, scorn'd and derided by impious Herod, have mercy on us.

Resp. Have mercy on us, O

Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus! Stripp'd of your Garments, and most unhumanly scourg'd at the Pillar, have mercy on us.

Resp. Have Mercy on us, O

Lord, have mercy on us.

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O most sweet Jesus! Crowned with Thorns, blindfolded, buffetted, struck with a Reed, cloath'd in Derision with a purple Garment, and infinite other Ways scorn'd and reviled, have mercy on us.

Resp. Have mercy on us, O

Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus! Reputed more criminal than Barabbas the Murtherer, rejected by the Jews, and condemn'd to the ignominious Death of the Cross, have mercy on us.

Resp. Have mercy on us, O

Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus! Loaded with a heavy Cross, and led like an innocent Lamb to the Place of Execution, have mercy on us.

Resp. Have mercy on us, O

Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus! hanging between two Thieves, derided, blasphem'd, made to taste Vinegar and Gall, and enduring most horrible Torments from the sixth to the ninth Hour, have mercy on us.

Resp. Have mercy on us, O

Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus! Dead upon the Cross, and wounded in your Side with a Spear, in your holy Mother's Presence, whence issued forth Water and Blood, have mercy on us.

Resp. Have mercy on us, O

Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus! Taken down from the Cross, and bath'd with the Tears of your most forrowforrowful Mother, have mercy on us.

Resp. Have mercy on us, O

Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus! Torn and bruis'd all over your Body, bearing the facred Marks of your five most precious Wounds, embalm'd with Spices, and laid in the Sepulchre, have mercy on us.

Resp. Have mercy on us, O

Lord, have mercy on us.

Verf. He truly bore our Sorrows.

Resp. And he carried our Grief.

Let us Pray.

GOD, who, for the Redemption of the World, vouchfafest to be born, to be circumcis'd, to be rejected by

the Jews, betray'd with a Kiss, to be bound like a Malefactor, and like an innocent Lamb, to be led to flaughter, to be ignominiously brought before Annas, Caiphas, Pilate and Herod, to be accus'd by falle Witnesses, fcourged with Whips, buffeted, defil'd with Spittle, crown'd with Thorns, stripp'd of your Cloaths, fastened to the Cross, placed between two Thieves, to have Vinegar and Gall given you to drink, to have your Side piere'd through with a Spear You, O Lord, by these most grievous Pains, which I, tho' unworthy, do commemorate, and by your most facred Death and Passion, free me from the Pains of Hell, and conduct me, whither your Mercy did conconduct the good Thief crucify'd with you, who, together with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest for ever. Amen.

Devout addresses to the Five

Wounds of our Savicur. ET us adore the Five most facred Wounds of " Christ our Lord, and each one " in particular, with a most af-" fur'd Confidence in his Passion and Death, offer'd for us to " his eternal Father, with a " most firm Hope, by the Com-66 munication of his Merits, and Co-operation of his Grace, to " obtain Remission for our Sins, and Life everlafting: With a 66 most deep Sense of Grief for " " our Offences, and Ingratitude, " against his infinite Goodness,

whom

" whom for the time to come, " we will fincerely love above " all things, for his own fake; " with a most firm Purpose for " the future of avoiding all kinds " of Sins, and their respective " Occasions. We will also con-" dole with the most holy Mo-" ther of Christ, whose Soul was " pierced with the Sword of "Grief, standing under the " Cross of her beloved Son: " And likewise, we will praise " and magnify the most Bleffed " Trinity, for fo great and in-" comprehensible a Benefit. To the Wound of the Left Foot.

MY Lord Jesus Christ! I humbly adore the most facred Wound of your Lest Foot; I render you Thanks for that cruel Pain suffered with so

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great Love and Charity; I feelingly compassionate your Torments, and the excessive Grief of your most afflicted Mother; I humbly beg pardon for all my Sins, which I lament more than all imaginable Evils, because offending you, O-infinite Goodness! and I resolve never more to sin. O bring with me, all Sinners to a true Conversion, and give them Light to discover the Heinousness, the Enormity, and Brutality of a mortal Crime.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be to the Father, &c.

To the Wound of the Right Foot.

Y Lord Jesus Christ; I humbly adore the most facred Wound of your Right Foot. I render you Thanks for that cruel Pain suffer'd with so

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great Love and Charity; I feelingly compassionate your Torments and the excessive Grief of your most afflicted Mother. I suplicate, that you'll grant me Strength against all Temptations, and prompt Obedience in the Execution of your divine Will. Comfort, my Jesus! all poor, miserable, afflicted, tempted and persecuted Persons. Most Just Judge! govern those who administer Justice, and assist all Labourers in the Cure of Souls, whether amongst Christians or Insidels.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be, &c.

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To the Wound of the Left Hand.

Y Lord Jesus Christ! I humbly adore the most facred Wound of your Left Hand. I render you Thanks for that cruel Pain, fuffer'd with fo great Love and Charity. I feelingly compassionate your Torments, and the excessive Grief of your most afflicted Mother. By them I petition you'll deliver me from the Pains of Hell, and grant me Patience and Conformity to your bleffed Pleafure in all Contrarieties of this present Life. I offer unto you all my exterior and interior fufferings, in Satisfaction for my Sins, fo often deserving eternal Torments. I beg you'll pardon all my Enemies, and others ill-aftected towards me; bless, O Lord,

Lord, the Sick with Patience and Health, support with your assisting Grace all those in Agonies, that they may not perish.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be, &c.

To the Wound of the Right Hand.

Y Lord Jesus Christ! I humbly adore the most facred Wound of your Right Hand. I render you Thanks for that cruel Pain, suffer'd with so great Love and Charity. I feelingly compassionate your Torments, and the excessive Grief of your most afflicted Mother. I suplicate, you'll grant me a firm and resolute Will in all things relating to my Salvation. Bless me with final Preseverance in Grace, to

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fecure the Enjoyment of that Glory, which was purchased with the Price of your most precious Blood. Grant also, my fesus! speedy Peace and Repose to the Souls in Purgatory; cause your holy Servants in this World to make daily Progress in Perfection, especially those who are of this confraternity.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be, &c.

To the Wound in his Sacred Side.

Y Lord Jesus Christ! I humbly adore the most facred Wound in your blessed Side, rendering Thanks for the immense Love manifested towards us, at the opening of your inflam'd Heart; I feelingly condole the Affront, and the excessive

five Grief of your most afflicted Mother. Grant me pure Love and perfect Charity, that loving you above all things, and all things in you, my miserable Soul, by the Affistance of your holy Grace, may be worthy to breathe out in the facred Wound of your bleffed Side. I humbly beg, dear Jesus! you'll protect your Holy Catholick Church, direct your governing Vicar upon Earth, all ecclefiastical Orders and fecular Persons, who are instrumental in bringing Souls to do their Duty. Preserve in your happy Service, all Christian Kings and Princes. Reduce into the Way of Salvation, all those that are gone aftray, whether through Malice or Ignorance. Bring under your fweet

fweet Yoke all Infidels, Hereticks, and other Enemies of your holy Name.

Our Father, Hail *Mary*, Glory be, &c.

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ! God of my Heart; by those five Wounds which the Love of us inflicted on you, succour your Servants, whom you have redeem'd with your precious Blood. Amen.

Most merciful Redeemer! I humbly beseech you, by those inexplicable Torments, and the immense Grief, which you were pleas'd to suffer for me, a contemptible Creature, especially when your divine Soul was bitterly separated from the blessed Body.

Body, that you'll fecure my poor Soul at the final Separation, and comfort me then, as you did the good Thief, faying; that I shall be with you in Paradise. Amen.

" LET us have recourse to the ever immaculate Vir-" gin Mother of God, befeech-" ing her to protect us under the "Shadow of her Wings, until

" the Wrath of God be appeas'd:

" That she'll obtain for us true " Contrition and Perseverance

" in the holy Grace of her bles-

" fed Son. We'll also petition " for what each one here pre-

" fent stands in need of, accor-

" ding to his spiritual or tem-" poral Necessities, to the grea-

" ter Glory of God. To merit

" thefe Favours, we will pray ic in " in Union of that more than feraphical Love, wherewith

" the dolorous Mother stood

" under the Cross of bleeding

" Jesus.

Stabat Mater dolorosa.

NDER the World's redeeming Rood, The most afflicted Mother stood, Mingling her Tears with her Son's Blood.

As that stream'd down from every Part, Of all his Wounds she felt the Smart, What piere'd his Body, piere'd her Heart.

Who can with tearless Eyes look on, When such a Mother, such a Son, Wounded and gasping does bemoan?

O! worfe than Jewish Hearts that shou'd, Unmov'd behold the double Flood Of Mary's Tears, of Jesus' Blood.

Alas! our Sins, they were not his, In his atoning Sacrifice, For which he bleeds, for which he dies. When Graves did open, Rocks aid rent, When Nature and each Element, His Torments and his Grief resent;

Shall Man, the Cause of all his Pain, And all his Grief; shall sinful Man Only insensible remain?

Ah! Pious Mother, teach my Heart, Of Sighs and Tears the holy Art, And in thy Grief to bear a Part.

The Wound of Grief that did pass thro' Thy very Soul, O! may it now, One kind Wound on my Heart bestow.

Great Queen of Sorrows, in thy Train, Let me a Mourner's Place obtain, With Tears to cleanse all sinful Stain.

To heal the Leprosy of Sin, We must the Cure with Tears begin; All Flesh corrupt without their Brine.

Refuge of Sinners, grant that we May tread thy Steps, and let it be Our Sorrow 20t to grieve with thee. Oh! may the Wounds of thy dear Son, Our contrite Hearts possess alone, And all terrene Affections drown.

Those Wounds that now the Stars outshine, Those Furnaces of Love devine, May they our drossy Souls refine.

And on 'em such Impression make, That we of suffering for his Sake, May josfully our Portion take.

Let us his proper Badge put on, Let's glory in his Cross alone, By which he marks us for his own.

That when the dreadful Trial's come, For every Man to hear his Doom, On his right Hand we may find room.

Oh! hear us Mary, Jesus hear! Our humble Prayers, secure our fear, When thou in Judgment skalt appear.

Now give us Sorrow, give us Love, That so prepar'd we may remove, When call'd to the blest World above. Am n. Vers Verf. The Sword of Sorrow

has pierc'd thy Soul.

Resp. That out of many Hearts, Cogitations may be reveal'd.

Let us pray.

WE befeech thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, that the B. Virgin Mary, may intercede for us with thy Clemency, both now and at the Hour of our Death, who at the Hour of thy Passion had her most holy Soul run through with the Sword of Sorrow; who livest and reignest with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, one God, World without End. Amen.

" LET us fay, three Our Fathers, and three Hail

" Maries, in Memory of the

" three Hours our dear Re-

D " deemer

" deemer hung upon the Crofs,

" for the Souls of the Faithful

" departed of this Congregation.
Our Father, &c.

" Let us also say one Our

" Father, and one Hail Mary,

" for fuch as are in the lamen-

" table State of mortal Sin. Our Father, &c.

" Let us likewise say one Our

" Father, and one Hail Mary,

" for him or her of this Con-

" gregation, that is to die next,

" that the Party may be prepa-

" red, and depart happily, for-

" tified with the H. Sacraments

" of the Church. Our Father, &c.

" Let us dispose ourselves by

" Acts of perfect Contrition,

" and pure Love of God, to

" receive worthily the Benedic-

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tion of our Lord and Saviour, in the adorable Sacrament of

" the Altar.

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TErciful Redeemer! and IVI holy God of infinite Patience! great is my Confusion, to appear in your divine Prefence, having to frequently postpon'd You, the Omnipotent Creator of the Universe, to vile and contemptible Creatures.

I, a miserable Worm of the Earth, do utterly detest my horrid Confidence of Sinning in your most pure Sight; I own myself a notorious Criminal, and I plead guilty at the Bar of your dread Tribunal. You might have been glorified in your Justice, by striking me suddenly dead, and condemning metoeternal Flames, for base Indignities put put upon you: But you were pleas'd to be glorified; in the high Prerogative of your Mercy, in calling me back to Repentance. I abhor all my Crimes, of Thought, Word and Deed, not for the hope of Reward or fear of Punishment, but for your own fake, and because you infinitely abominate them. Oh my God of Majesty and Mercy! look upon those facred Marks in your Hands, Feet and Side, which you still retain in your glorified Body, to plead my Pardon. By that tender Love, which induc'd you to create, redeem and fanctify me, unite the Abyss of your Merits to the Abyss of my Misery. I declare before your Throne, and the whole Court of Heaven, that that I freely chuse to drop down dead here upon my Knees, ra-ther than to live any longer, to rob you of due Honour, by one mortal Sin. My Heart was created for you, and I love you more than myself. Every Respiration coming from me, especially the last, when I breathe out my Soul, shall be an irrevocable Protestation of my pure and fincere Love of your divine Majesty. Sweet Saviour of perishing Mankind! that opens your Hand, and fills every Creature with Benediction, give me now fuch a Bleffing, as you bestow'd on your belov'd Disciples, when ascending in Triumph from Mount Olivet, that I may live and die in this happy Disposition. Amen.

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Tantum ergo Sacramentum.

L ET's then adore this Sacrament,
With Hearts and Knees most humbly
bent;

Old Forms and Types away must pass, And to their Substance now give Place, And where our Senses lead astray, A lively Faith must show the Way.

Let us Thanksgiving Hymns intone, To God the Father and the Son, And to the Holy Ghost that sprung From both, let equal Praise be sung.

Amen.

Vesp. Thou hast given them Bread from Heaven.

Resp. Containing all Delecta-

Let us Pray.

God! who under an admirable Sacrament, has left us a perpetual Memorial of thy Passion; grant us, we beseech thee,

Mytheries of thy BODY and BLOOD, that we may continually feel in our Souls the Fruit of our Redemption. Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest one God, World without End. Amen.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at the fixth Hour, to redeem the World, wert nail'd to the Cross and poured'st forth thy precious Blood for Remission of our Sins; we humbly Pray, that after our Death, we may joyfully enter the Gates of Paradise. Amen.

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The Exercise terminates with the Benediction.

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JESUS CHRIST.

Jesus my God and Saviour, facrificed on the Altar of the Cross for the Redemption of Munkind; I, N. tho's most unworthy, yet confiding in your infinite Mercy, and mov'd by an earnest Desire and tender Devotion, towards your adorable Sufferings and Life-giving Death, do dedicate myself as a perpetual Offering to your Divine Majesty, in the pious Association of your painful Agony, and your blessed Mother grieving

ving under the Cross. I most humbly befeech you, by your bitter Passion, and the dolorous Separation of your divine Soul from your facred Body, that I may never depart from you by deadly Sin. Be pleas'd likewife to grant me the Favour, that I and all the Affociates, both now and at the Hour of our Death, may obtain full Remission of our Sins, and, being fortified with the Sagraments of your holy Church, may, with you, and by you, triumph over the Devil and Death. Amen.

To the bleffed Virgin.

Other of God, Mother of Mercy! I befeech you, by that cruel Sword of Sorrow, which pierc'd your afflicted Soul, when standing under

der the Cross of your beloved Son, you faw him die for my Salvation, that you will please to be favourable to me both now and at the last Period of my mortal Life. Permit not, Oh great Comforter of Sinners! that it ever be faid, you left a Soul in extreme Necessity, which had Recourse to you: But vouchfafe to look on me, and all Affociates, with those Eyes of tender Compassion, as then you beheld bleeding Jesus, when expiring on Mount Calvary; that with you we may praise him, the Father, and the Holy Ghost, for all Eternity. Amen.

To St. Joseph.

CLorious St. Joseph, who was so happy as to quit the Earth in the divine Arms of Jesus your God, and Mary your immaculate SpousE; come I beseech you to succour me, and all Affociates, both now, and when dreadful Death shall terminate our temporal Lives. Beg for us, that dying to the World and ourselves, we may live wholly to Christ, and when the happy Hour of our Diffolution draws near, defend us from the furious Attacks of the infernal Enemy; that being secured from all Sin, we may breath out our Souls joyfully, with our Lips upon the Cross. Amen.

To the good Angel. Y most dear and blessed Angel, Guardian of Soul and Body, whom God has appointed to watch over me at all times, but especially at the Hour of Death; with profound Grief for my former Ingratitude, I kneel before you, offering an inviolable Tender of future Service. I beg a Favour which you earnestly defired to bestow on me, that you'll comfort and protect me, both now and in my Agony, and likewife all others, who affociate themselves for this End. Vouchsafe to hear me, fince you love me; fortify me in the Combat, being thereon my Salvation depends; conduct me to Heaven, for which you are deputed my Guide. A-

men.

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Short THOUGHTS and As-PIRATIONS, disposing to Recollection.

SUNDAY.

Must die, and soon abondon what's now charming. My dearest Relations will allow me no more than a Winding-sheet and Cossin. I will quit all inordinate Affections to the deceitful World, before it lay me under Ground.

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Have Mercy on me, O Lord, have Mercy on me; because my Soul confides in you, my Soul has trusted in you, let me not be confounded for ever. One Thing I have desired of our E Lord,

Lord, that I will feek after, that I may dwell in the House of our Lord all the Days of my Life.

MONDAY.

I must certainly die, but when, how, or where, most uncertain. I will be prepar'd every Moment, because I may die every Moment. The Son of Man will come at what

Hour I least expect him.

Your most holy Will be done with me, O Lord! both in Time and Eternity. My Heart is ready, O God! my Heart is ready, sweet Jesus! be unto me a commiserating Jesus, both now and in the Hour of my Death.

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TUESDAY.

I can die but once; if then in an ill State, the Loss is irreparable. Could Judas or Cain return to Life from Hell, how would they dispose themselves for Death?

The Death of Sinners is the worst of Deaths. The Death of Saints is precious in the Sight of God. Let my Soul depart with the Death of the Just.

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WEDNESDAY.

Death is stealing towards me, like a Thief. Multitudes have been cut short, who promis'd themselves long Life, If sudden Deaths seizes me, what shall I most repent of?

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Lord, make me know my End, and the Number of my Days, what it is, that I may know what is wanting to me. From sudden, and unprovided Death, sweet Jesus! deliver me.

THURSDAY.

The Art of Dying well shall be my Daily Study. I will not enterprize any thing which may cause Repentance on the Deathbed. I will walk warily, as having before my Eyes the dreadful Precipice into Hell.

Lord! fave me from the Mouth of the roaring Lyon, ranging about, and feeking whom he may devour. Turn unto me and have Mercy on me, because I am poor and needy.

Lord,

Lord, teach me to pray; dilate my Heart, that I may run the Way of your Commandments.

FRIDAY.

I will live as I intend to die, for I shall die as I live. If I now forget God, I shall be forgotten at the Hour of Death. I must not mistake myself, God is not mocked, what I sow that

I shall reap.

Take Pity on me and hear me, O Lord my God! enlighten mine Eyes, lest I sleep the Sleep of Death, that my Enemy may not say, I have prevailed against him. Lord, enter not into Judgment with thy Servant, because no Flesh will be justified in thy Sight.

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SATURDAY.

The lively Thoughts of Death shall comfort me. Then I shall be taken out of Prison; then I shall be call'd from Banishment; then I shall be secure from all Fears and Apprehensions of offending any more my good God.

How amiable are thy Tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts! my Soul desires and languishes after the Sight of the living God. I desire to be dissolved and to be with Christ. Lord! into thy Hands I commend my Spirit.

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DEVOUT ACTS

To be practis'd by the Associates not only in Sickness, but likewise in Health.

In the Name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost.

FAITH.

I N. N. a miserable Sinner, do protest before the Almighty who sees the Sincerity of my Heart, before the Mother of God, conceiv'd without original Sin, before St. Joseph, my good Angel, and all the blessed Spirits and Saints of Heaven, that I have a firm and settled Will to live and die in the true Roman Catho-

Catholick Faith: Understanding All Articles whatsoever, in that Sense and Meaning as my holy Mother the Roman Catholic Church, hath, and doth propose them to be understood and believ'd: And I likewise protest That all Thoughts occurring contrary to this infallible Doctrine, shall be ever look'd on by me as so many palpable Errors, and manifest Herisies, suggested by the Father of Lies.

HOPE.

Altho' I'm altogether unworthy of Favour, yet, by God's Grace, confiding in his infinite Goodness, in the precious Blood of Jesus Christ spilt for me, in the Intercession of the ever bleffed

fed Virgin Mary my Advocate, in the Prayers of all the Saints, particularly my holy l'atrons, N. N. I hope to enjoy eternal Life, and to have necessary Means for the obtaining it. I have injur'd you grievously my Jesus! but will never offend with the horrid Sin of Despair. I will place my Saviour, bleeding on the Crofs, betwixt me and Diffidence. When God ceafes to be good, and Christ my Redeemer, then, and not before, will I cease to hope for Mercy. This is my inviolable Protestation, that to the last Breath I will pay you the Homage of Hope.

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CHARITY.

God of my Soul! because you are infinitely worthy of all Love, I wish I had the absolute Command of all created, and poffible Hearts, that with one intense united Act, I might make fo fmall an Offering to your infinite Goodness. That the World may know I love you, I cheerfully meet Death in the Face, esteeming it greater Happiness to follow your holy Will, than to enjoy ten thousand Lives. O happy News of my Departure! I am coming to admire your incomprehensible Beauty; I shall foon hear the glorious Choirs of Angels fing your immortal Praises. Let flow Death hasten on,

to put me in Possession of that blessed Life, when I shall no more offend my God, but love him eternally, more than myself. This shall be my greatest Comfort, in the sharpest Agony and Pangs of Death.

CONTRITION.

'Tis true, I am a most vile miserable Wretch, yet still yours by many Titles. I repent for all my Sins, both of Commission and Omission; not for the Fear of Hell, which I have long ago deserv'd, nor for the Love of Heaven, which I merit not; but because I have displeased and dishonour'd you, my only Good. I now retract before your Throne, and abhor all my former

mer Offences, and were I beginning as I am ending my Life, I would not displease you for as many Worlds as your Omnipotency can create. O! do not despise a contrite Heart, but let your atoning Blood supply the desect of my Sorrow. Gracious Goodness! cut off the short remainder of my Life, if you foresee I shall any more offend you.

CONFORMITY.

Lord, I so resignedly receive the certain Summons of my Death, that were it in my Power, I would not prolong my Life, because you call me away. I now freely offer the dearest Things in the World, my Will and Life, which are facrific'd to your

your bleffed Pleafure. O! give one Flame of divine Love to this contemptible Holocaust, that it may be perfectly confumed in ferving you. I cheerfully accept of all present and future Pains, refuling nothing which comes from your fatherly Hand. I most fincerely take unspeakable Complacency, that this finful Body of mine, which has fo frequently displeased You, is now like a Criminal upon the Rack, will shortly resolve into Rottenness, and just Revenge be taken by contemptible Worms, for manifold Affronts put upon the great Ged of Heaven and Earth.

THANKSGIVING.

Permit me not, O Circle and Centre of all Goodness! to leave F

the World, without petitioning your Church Militant and Triumphant, to join in Acts of Thanksgiving for innumerable Favours. I humbly thank you, for bringing me a miserable Creature out of nothing; postponing infinite others, who would have ferv'd you more faithfully. You have preserved me in many imminent Dangers, both of Soul and Body; you dy'd for me, finking in an Abyss or Sorrow and Blood. You have fed me with your precious Body; you have often taken on your bleffed Soulders the loft Sheep, and call'd the Angels to rejoice at my Repentance; you have shewn immense Patience in supporting my enormous Crimes: For these and all others I am ignorant of, Lord Jesus! I offer the great Tribute of thirty three Years Thanksgiving, which you paid to the eternal Father, when you were on Earth. Now crown the noble Work, and bless my passing away, that I may make one of the select Number, who render everlasting Praises.

Love of our Neighbour.

I most freely pardon all that have offended me, as I expect Mercy before the dread Tribunal. Jesus! I repeat with you hanging on the Cross, Father forgive them, embracing them all in my Heart, and beseching you to heap Blessings on my Enemies, as great and greater than the Injuries they design'd F 2 me.

me. As for those whom I have offended in any wise, I humbly beg Pardon of every one. I truly lament for the least Disgust given to any Person, tho' never so inconsiderable, because, you

fay 'twas done to you.

I recommend my Soul to the Intercession of the glorious Virgin Mary Mother of God, to St. Joseph, my good Angel, and to my special Patrons, N. N. befeeching them to comfort and assist me in the last Conslict: And after my Departure, I recommend it to the charitable Remembrance of my Kindred, Friends and Benefactors, begging now Pardon for the Scandal I have given, in not complying with my Duty to God and Man.

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For my last Words, I say in profound Humility and Contrition, Jesus, Maria. And when my Speech has left me, I will repeat these holy Names in my Heart; and if my Memory and Judgment shall fail me, with all tender Affection, and possible Submission, I say now for then, as with my last Breath, Jesus, Maria.

I the same N. N. take the omnipotent God for Witness in whose Presence I am, that I will live and die in the aforesaid Disposition, humbly begging, that these my Intentions, Desires, and Protestations, may be ratisfied, confirm'd and perfected by the infinite Merits and precious B L O O D of Christ Jesus, my Saviour. Amen, Amen.

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Dies iræ, Dies illa.

THAT Day of Wrath, that direful Day Shall all the World in Ashes lay, As David and Sibilla say.

How shall poor Mortals quake with Fears When their impartial Judge appears, Who all their Causes strictly hears?

His Trumpet founds a dreadful Tone; The Noise thro' all the Graves is blown, And calls the Dead before his Throne.

Nature and Death shall stand at gaze, When Creatures shall their Bodies raise, And answer for their ill spent Days.

The clear writ Book of Conscience shewn, Sin's black Indictment shall be known, And every Soul its Guilt shall own.

So when the Judge shall sit on high, All hidden Crimes shall open lie; No Sin shall from due Vengeance sty. What Plea shall wicked I pretend? What Patron move to stand my Friend, When scarce the Just themselves defend?

O dreadful God! and glorious King, Who dost the Saved freely bring To blifs, save me O Mercy's Spring!

Pious Jesus! call to Mind Thy Travels, for my Good design'd; Grant I may that Day Mercy find.

Thou sat'st down weary seeking me, Hang'st on the Cross my Soul to free; Let not such Labours fruitless be.

Dread Judge! whose Justice is severe, My long black Score of Sins make clear, E'er the accounting Day appear.

1, as a guilty Person grown, My Faults are in my Blushes shewn: Pity, dear Lord, thy Suppliant's moan.

Thy aveeping Magdalen's Relief, And opening Heaven to the Thief, Have with sweet Hopes allay'd my grief. My worthless Prayers deserve no Hire, But thou, mild Lord, thy Grace inspire, To save me from eternal Fire.

Among st thy Sheep grant I may stand, Far from the Goats condemned Band, Securely plac'd on thy right Hand.

Th' accursed Troop being put to Shame, Confin'd to Hell's ne'er-dying Flame, Among st the Blest enroll my Name.

With bonded Knee I make my Prayer, And Iteart contrite as Ashes are: Of my last End dear Lord take care.

That Day of Doom, that Day of Tears, When guilty Man awakes in Fears From Dust, and 'fore his Judge appears.

Jesus! whose Breast condoles our Woes, Preserve us from eternal Foes, Give Rest to Just departed Souls. Amen. Vers. From the Gates of Hell. Resp. Deliver their Souls, O Lord.

Vers. Let them rest in Peace.

Resp. Amen.

Verf. O Lord, hear my Prayer.

Resp. And let my Cry come to thee.

Let us Pray.

A Bfolve, we befeech thee O Lord, the Soul of the Servant N. that being dead to the World, it may live to thee, and whatfoever he (or she) has committed by Frailty of the Flesh, in human Conversation, mercifully Pardon. Through our Lord, &c.

O Lord, the Giver of all Pardon, and the Lover of hu-

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man Salvation, we befeech thy Clemency, that thou grant the Brethren and Sisters of our Congregation, who are departed out of this World, blessed Mary, ever Virgin making Intercession with all Saints, to come to the Fellowship of eternal Blessedness, who livest and reignest World without End. Amen.

Vers. Eternal Rest give unto them, O Lord.

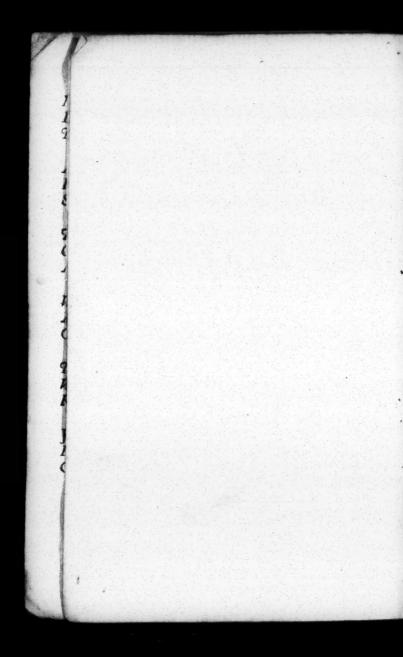
Resp. And let perpetual Light shine unto them.

Verf. Let all the Souls of the Faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in Peace.

Resp. Amen.

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And as it was faid

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The following METHOD

OF

Saying the ROSARY.

THE Devotion of the Rosary, so called, because it is, as it were, a Chaplet of Spiritual Roses; that is, of most sweet and devout Prayers, was first revealed by the B. Virgin to St. Dominick, (the Father and Founder of the Holy Order of Preachers,) as a Devotion most efficacious for obtaining all Favours from God, and averting all Ewils from ourselves. It consistent of sisten Pater Nosters, and a bundred and sisty Ave Maries, and is devided into three Parts, whereof each containeth in it sive Decades; that is, sive Pater Nosters, and sisty Ave Maries.

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To each of these Decades, in the following Method, is assigned one of the principal Mysteries of the Life of our Saviour, or his B. Mother, as Matter of Meditation, wherein the Mind is to exercise itself while it prays, and therefore is perfixed before the Beginning of each Decade.

The Mysteries also, in Number sisteen, are divided into three Parts, answerable to the three Parts of the Rosary; that is, into sive Joysul Mysteries for the first Part of the Rosary; sive Sorrowful for the Second, and sive Glorious for the

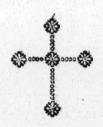
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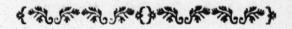
Now the use of the following Method or Manner of Saying the Rosary, consisteth in a devout Application or Attention of the Mind to the Mystery assigned while the Decade is saying, and raising correspondent Assections in the Will, such as the Devotion and Necessity of each one shall suggest: For Example, in the first Part, of Joy and Thanksgiving for the coming of our Redeemer, and the great Work, of our Redemption. In the second, of Compassion for the Suffering of our Lord, and Contrition for our Sins, which were the Occasion of them. In

the third, of Exaltation of the Glory of our Saviour, and his B. Mother, and hope, thro' the Merits of his Passion, and her Intercession, to be made partakers of

Glery with them.

He that shall say the Rosary with this Attention of Mind, and Affection of Will, shall undoubtedly give much Glory to God, and reap much Benefit to his own Soul; which was the Intention of Pope Pious the Fifth, (a most pious Son of St. Dominick) in ordering, and is the Endeavour at present of one of the Meanest among the Sons of so glorious a Father, in publishing the Meditation and Prayers, as they are set down in the following Method.





THE

ROSARY.

The joyful Mysteries assigned for Mondays and Thursdays throughout the Year, and Sundays in Advent, and after Epiphany till Lent.

The First Mystery.

The Meditation.

ET us contemplate in this Mystery, how the Angel Mystery, how the Angel S L & Gabriel saluted our Blessed Lady with the Title of Full of Grace, and declared unto her the Incarnation of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

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Then fay, Our Father, &c. once.

UR Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy Kingdom come: Thy Will be done on Earth, as it is in Heaven: Give us this Day our daily Bread: And forgive us our Trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us: And lead us not into Temptation, but deliver us from Evil. Amen.

Then fay, Hail Mary, &c. Ten Times.

HAIL Mary, full of Grace, our Lord is with thee: Blessed art thou among Women; and blessed is the Fruit of thy Womb, Jesus: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us Sinners, now, and at the Hour of our Death. Amen.

The Prayer.

O Holy Mary, Queen of Virgins, by the most High Mystery of the Incarnation of thy beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, by which our Salvation was so happily begun, obtain for us by thy Intercession, light to know this so great a Benesit, which he hath bestowed upon us, vouchfasing in it, to make himself our Brother, and thee his own most beloved Mother, our Mother also. Amen.

The Second Mystery.

The Meditation.

ET us contemplate in this Myftery, how the Blessed Virgin Mary, understanding from the Angel, that her Cousin, St. Elizabeth, had conceived, went with haste into the Mountains of Judea to visit her, and remained with her three Months.

The Prayer.

O Holy Virgin, most spotless Mirrour of Humility; by that exceeding Charity which moved thee to visit thy holy Cousin, St. Elizabeth; obtain for us, by thy Intercession, that our Hearts may be so visited by thy most holy Son, that, free from all Sin, we may praise him, and give him Thanks for ever. Amen.

The Third Mystery.

The Meditation.

ET us contemplate in this Myflery, how the Blessed Virgin Mary, when the Time of her Delivery was come, brought forth our Redeemer Jesus Christ at Midnight, and laid him in a Manger, because there was no room for him in the Inns in Bethlehem.

The Prayer.

Most pure Mother of God, by thy virginal and most joyful Delivery by which thou gavest unto the World thy only Son our Saviour; we beseech thee obtain for us, by thy Intercession, Grace to lead so pure and holy Life in this World, that we may worthily sing without ceasing, both Day and Night, the Mercies of thy Son, and his Benesits to us, by thee. Amen.

The Fourth Mystery.

The Meditation.

ET us contemplate in this Myftery, how the most Blessed Virgin Mary, on the Day of her Puriscation, presented the Child Jesus in the Temple, where holy Simion giving Thanks to God with great Devotion received him into his Arms.

The Prayer.

Holy Virgin most admirable Mistress and Pattern of Obedience, who didst present in the Temple, the Lord of the Temple; obtain for us, of thy beloved Son, that, with holy Simeon and devout Anna, we may praise and glorify him for ever. Amen.

The Fifth Mystery.

The Meditation.

ET us contemplate in this Myftery, how the Blessed Virgin Mary, having lost, without any Fault of hers, her beloved Son in Jerusalem, she sought him for the Space of three Days, and at length sound him the third Day in the Temple in the Midst of the Doctors disputing with them, being of the Age of twelve Years.

The Prayer.

Martyr in thy Suffering, and yet the Comfort of such as are afflicted; by that unspeakable Joy wherewith thy Soul was ravished in finding thy beloved Son in the Temple, in the Midst of the Doctors disputing with them; obtain of him, in the Holy Catholick Church, that we may never be separated from him. Amen.

Salva Regina.

AIL Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our Life, our Sweetness, and our Hope; to thee do we cry, poor banished Sons of Eve; to thee do we fend our Sighs, mourning and weeping in this Valley of Tears: Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine Eyes of Mercy towards us, and after this our Exile ended, shew unto us the blessed Fruit of thy Womb, Jesus, O most clement, most pious, and most sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, Holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the Promises of Christ.

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Let us pray.

HEAR O merciful God, the Prayer of thy Servants, that we, who meet together in the Society of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin, Mother of God, by her Intercession, may by thee, be deliver'd from the Dangers that continually hang over us. Amen.

The dolorous, or forrowful Mysteries, for *Tuesdays* and *Fridays* throughout the Year; and the *Sundays* in *Lent*.

The First Mystery.

The Meditation.

ET us contemplate in this Mystery, how our Lord Jesus was so afflicted for us in the Garden of Gethsemani, that his Body was bathed in a bloody Sweat, which ran trickling down in great Drops unto the Ground. Our Father, Hail Mary, &c. as before.

The Prayer.

Martyr, by that ardent Prayer which thy beloved Son poured forth unto his Father in the Garden, vouchfafe to intercede for us, that our Paffions, reduced to the Obedience of Reason, we may always, and in all Things confirm and subject ourselves to the Will of God. Amen.

The Second Mystery.

The Meditation.

Let us contemplate in this Mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ was most cruelly scourged in Pilate's House, the Number of the Stripes they gave him, being about five thousand (As it was revealed to St. Bridget.)

The Prayer.

O Mother of God, over-flowing Fountain of Patience, by those Stripes thy only and most beloved Son vouchsafed to suffer for us, obtain of him for us Grace, that we may know how how to mortifie our rebellious Senfes, and cut off all Occasions of finning, with that Sword of Grief and Compassion which pierced thy most tender Soul. Amen.

The Third Mystery.

The Meditation.

Let us contemplate in this Mystery, how those cruel Ministers of Satan platted a Crown of sharp Thorns, and most cruelly pressed it on the most facred Head of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Prayer.

Mother of our eternal Prince and King of Glory, by those sharp Thorns, wherewith his most holy Head was pierced, we beseech thee, that, by thy Intercession, we may be deliver'd here, from all Motions of Pride, and in the Day of Judgment, from that Consusion which our Sins deserve. Amen.

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The Fourth Mystery.

The Meditation.

ET us contemplate in this Mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, being sentenced to die, bore, with great Patience, the Cross, which was laid upon him for his greater Torment and Ignominy.

The Prayer.

O Holy Virgin, Example of Patience, by the most painful carrying of the Cross, in which thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, bore the heavy Weight of our Sins; obtain for us, of him, by thy Intercession, Courage and Strength to follow his Steps, and bear our Cross after him unto the End of our Life. Amen.

The Fifth Mystery.

The Meditation.

LET us contemplate in this Mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, being come to Mount Calvery, was stripped of his his Cloaths, and his Hands and Feet most cruelly nailed to the Cross in the Presence of his most afflicted Mother.

The Prayer.

O Holy Mary, Mother of God, as the Body of thy beloved Son was for us extended on the Cross, so may our Desires be daily more and more stretched out in his Service, and our Hearts wounded with Compassion of his most bitter Passion; and thou, O most blessed Virgin, vouchsafe to negotiate for, and with us the Work of our Salvation by thy powerful Intercession. Amen.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Hail, Holy Queen, &c. with the Verse

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The glorious Mysteries for Wednesdays and Saturdays through the Year, and Sundays after Easter until Advent.

The First Mystery.

The Meditation.

LET us contemplate in this Mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, triumphing gloriously over Death, rose again the third Day, immortal and impassible.

Our Father, Hail Mary, } as before.

The Prayer.

O Glorious Virgin, Mary, by that unspeakable Joy thou received in the Resurrection of thy only Son, we beseech thee, obtain of him, for us, that our Hearts may never go astray after the salse Joys of this World, but may be ever and wholly employ'd in the Pursuit of the only true and solid Joys of Heaven. Amen.

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The Second Mystery.

The Meditation.

LET us contemplate in this Mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, forty Days after his Resurrection, ascended into Heaven, attended by Angels, in the Sight of his most Holy Mother, his Holy Apostles and Disciples, to the great Admiration of them all.

The Prayer.

O Mother of God, Comfort of the afflicted, as thy beloved Son, when he afcended into Heaven, lifted up his Hands and bleffed his Apostles, so vouchfase, most holy Mother, to lift up thy pure Hands to him for us, that we may enjoy the Benefits of his Blessing and thine here on Earth, and hereafter in Heaven. Amen.

The Third Mystery.

The Meditation.

LET us contemplate in this Mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, being seated on the right Hand of Goo, sent,

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as he had promised, the Holy Ghost, upon his Apostles, who, after he was ascended, returning to Jerusalem, continued in Prayer and Supplication with the Blessed Virgin Mary, expecting the Personance of his Promise.

The Prayer.

O Sacred Virgin, Tabernacle of the Holy Ghost, we beseech thee obtain by thy Intercession, that this most sweet Comforter, whom thy beloved Son sent down upon his Apostles, filling them thereby with spiritual Joy, may teach us in this World the true Way of Salvation, and make us walk in the Paths of Virtue and good Works. Amen.

The Fourth Mystery.

The Meditation.

LET us contemplate in this Mystery, how the Glorious Virgin, twelve Years after the Resurrection of her Son, passed out of this World unto him, and was by him assumed into Heaven, accompanied by the Holy Angels

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The Prayer.

O Most prudent Virgin, who ent'ring the heavenly Palace didst fill the holy Angels with Joy, and Man with Hope, vouchfase to intercede for us in the Hour of our Death, that free from the Illusions and Temptations of the Devil, we may joyfully and securely pass out of this temporal State to enjoy the Happiness of eternal Life. Amen.

The Fifth Mystery.

The Meditation.

LET us contemplate in this Mystery, how the Glorious Virgin Mary, was with great Jubilee and Exhaltation of the whole Court of Heaven, and particular Glory of all the Saints, crowned by her Son with the brightest Diadem of Glory.

The Prayer.

O Glorious Queen of all the heavenly Citizens, we befeech thee accept this Rofary, which as a Crown of Roles,

we offer at thy Feet, and grant most gracious Lady, that, by thy Intercession our Souls may be enslamed with so ardent a Desire of seeing thee so gloriously crowned, that it may never die in us, untill it shall be changed into the happy Fruition of thy blessed Sight. Amen.

Hail, Holy Queen, &c. with the Verse and Prayer as before, p. 10.

And Litany of the Bleffed Virgin, as followeth.

The LITANIES of our Bleffed Lady of Loreto.

So called

For that they are usually sung in that sacred Church of Loreto upon all the Saturdays in the Year, and Feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Antiphon.

W E fly to your Patronage (O facred Mother of Goo!) Despise not our Prayers in our Necessities, but

but deliver us from all Dangers, O ever Glorious and Bleffed Virgin. Lord have Mercy upon us, &c. Christ have Mercy upon us. Lord have Mercy upon us. Christ hear us. O Christ graciously hear us.

God the Father of Heaven, have Mercy upon us.

Gop the Son, Redeemer of the World. have Mercy on us.

God the Holy Ghoft, have Mercy upon us.

O holy Trinity one God, have Mescy upon us.

Holy Mary, Holy Mother of GoD, Holy Virgin of Virgins, Mother of Christ. Mother of Divine Grace, Mother most pure, Mother most chaste, Mother undefiled, Mother untouched, Mother most amible, Mother most admirable,

Mother

Mother of our Creator, Mother of our Redeemer, Virgin most prudent, Virgin most Venerable, Virgin most renowned, Virgin most powerful, Virgin most merciful, Virgin most faithful, Mirrour of Justice, Seat of Wisdom, Cause of our Joy, Spiritual Vessel, Vessel of fingular Devotion, Mystical Rose, Tower of David, Tower of Ivory, House of Gold. Ark of the Covenant, Gate of Heaven. Morning Star, Health of the Weak, Refuge of Sinners, Comfort of the Afflicted. Help of Christians, Queen of Angels, Queen of Patriarchs, Queen of Prophets,

Pray for us.

Queen

Queen of Apostles, Queen of Martyrs, Queen of Confessors, Queen of Virgins, Queen of Saints, Pray for us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the Sins of the World, Spare us O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the Sins of the World, Hear us O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the Sins of the World, Have Mercy upon us.

Anthem.

W E fly to your Patronage O sacred Mother of Gon! Despise not our Prayers in our Necessities, but deliver us from all Dangers, O ever gracious and blessed Virgin.

Verf. Pray for us O holy Mother of

GOD.

Resp. That we may be made worthy of the Promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

W E beseech thee, O Lord, pour forth thy Grace into our Hearts, that we, who by the Angel's Message, have known the Incarnation of Christ thy Son, may, by his facred Passion and Cross, be brought to the Glory of his Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Vers. The divine Help remain al-

ways with us.

Resp. And may the Souls of the Faithful, thro' the Mercy of God, rest in Peace. Amen.

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